

## DEPARTMENT OF POLICE MEDIA SERVICES DIVISION

2350 RESEARCH BOULEVARD ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND 20850-3294 240-773-5030

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE September 9, 2009

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Media Services Division, 240-773-5030

## Media Advisory

## Law Enforcement Transportation Security Detail Exercises & Training

WHEN: Thursday, September 10, and Friday, September 11, 2009

6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Montgomery County METRO and MARC train stations (on platforms,

above and below ground, and riding on the trains) and other undisclosed

locations throughout the county.

Truck inspections conducted at undisclosed areas throughout the county.

**WHAT:** High visibility presence of uniformed law enforcement officers engaged in

detection and deterrent terrorism training exercises.

Montgomery County Police want to assure our community members that there has been <u>no</u> intelligence developed that there are any terrorist threats to our county at this time. These exercises are planned and conducted on a regular basis.

During the above listed time period, approximately 150 members of Montgomery County Police, Sheriff's Office, Fire Marshal's Office, Rockville City Police, Gaithersburg Police, Takoma Park Police, Maryland National Capital Park Police, and Federal Air Marshals & Behavior Detection Officers, will be conducting combined training exercises that will make them highly visible to community members, especially those using METRO and MARC trains. In addition to regular uniformed officers, K-9 teams and SWAT officers will be part of the exercise.

This training is designed to duplicate the type of response that could be used to detect and prevent terrorist activity in our area. Again, these are tests of deployment and training, not a response to any identified security threat.

LEHB:lehb ###